

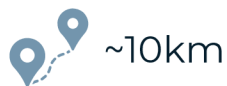
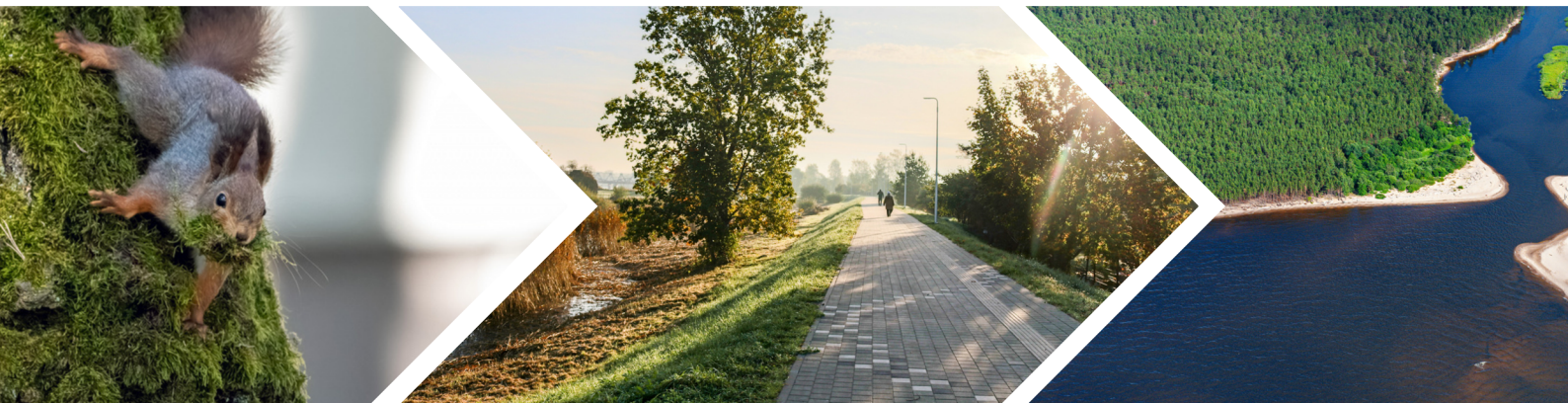


CARNIKAVA TRAIL MAP

The route connects the cultural-historical and natural values of Carnikava village.



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GPX file



~10km



MODERATELY EASY



2-2,5 h

ROUTE: The walking route is suitable for a wide range of visitors. It includes opportunities to explore both cultural environments and nature. Some of the sites are located within the "Piejūra" Nature Park, so we encourage visitors to treat the natural values with care. Access to the Gauja River mouth is closed from May 1 to July 31 due to nesting of protected birds.

MARKING: The route is fully marked with an orange diamond symbol.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

- Check the opening hours of the Carnikava Local History Centre in advance.
- The route is partially accessible for people with mobility impairments.

ADDITIONAL INFO: Picnic areas with tables and chairs are available along the route (at the end of Atpūtas iela and near the Carnikava Local History Centre).



WHERE TO EAT?

Cafés and restaurants to visit during the walk

1. **Kafe Maza Upe** ☀️ Laivu iela 2A, Carnikava, +371 29808876
2. **Tīne** Rīgas iela 18, Carnikava, +371 20865000
3. **Ratatūjs** ☀️ Stacijas iela 2C, Carnikava, +371 20865000
4. **Aidā Jūrīnā** ☀️ Laivu iela 2A, Carnikava, +371 29929767
5. **Rūna** Atpūtas iela 1, t/c "Mandarīns", Carnikava, +371 20933818
6. **GUSTAVbeķereja** Atpūtas iela 1, t/c "Mandarīns", Carnikava



SERVICES

Useful services and shopping options for tourists

1. **Boards You** SUP boards, boats, and bike rental Laivu iela 2A, Carnikava, +371 26222212
2. **Laivot Gauja** SUP board, boat, and raft rental +371 29223354
3. **VELODOMS** bicycle workshop Rīgas iela 23, Carnikava, +371 26229589
4. **Pirtīņa Carnikavā** sauna services Ziedu iela 5, +371 29470865
5. **Carnikava Market local producers fair** 57.128706, 24.280575
6. **Shopping center Mandarīns** Atpūtas iela 1, Carnikava
7. **Elvi** grocery store Rīgas iela 23, Carnikava
8. **Mego** grocery store Rīgas iela 14A, Carnikava



ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation options in Carnikava

1. **EPA holiday house** Lašu iela 41, Carnikava, +371 26698877
2. **Gauja Upe holiday house** "Dardedze", Gauja, +371 29108393
3. **Elītas BB studio apartment** Nēgu iela 7, Carnikava, +371 27404764
4. **Carnikavas Piestātne holiday houses** Jomas iela 4, Carnikava, +371 27881354
5. **Baltrozes holiday house** Vētru iela, Carnikava, +371 26547466



GAUJA RIVER TRIPS

Opportunity to enjoy natural landscapes

1. **Carnikava Wooden Boats** Laivu iela 6, Carnikava, +371 27742612
2. **Carnikavas kuģītis "Sarnikau"** Laivu iela 6, Carnikava, +371 26011966
3. **Zvejnieku Tūres** Jomas iela 7, Carnikava, +371 28663898



LAMPREY PURCHASE

In Carnikava, the lamprey fishing season runs from August 1 to January 31.

1. **Leste** Jomas iela, Carnikava, +371 28663898 (only fresh fish)
2. **Zībs** Šosejas iela 15, Carnikava, +371 29654756 (also offers smoked fish)
3. **Gundegas** Vecgaujas iela 20, Carnikava, +371 29413089
4. **Krupis** Zvejnieku iela 22, Carnikava (offers degustations) +371 26423383
5. **IK Gaļina Levočkina** Vēju iela 18a, Carnikava, +371 67992618, +371 29250546



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Ādaži Municipality, LV-2163



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1. Sightseeing attraction

9. Access from the Carnikava side to the Gauja River mouth is closed from May 1 to July 31 due to nesting protected birds, during this period it's accessible from Gauja village side.



PIEJŪRA NATURE PARK

"Piejūra" is the third oldest nature park in Latvia. It is located along the coastal areas of Riga city, Ādaži and Saulkrasti municipalities, covering a total of 4,180 hectares. The park features coastal pine forests, as well as unique and beautiful lakes. Many rare plant and animal species can be found in the nature park. While in the park, it is important to remember:

WHAT YOU BRING, YOU TAKE WITH YOU!

ABOUT CARNIKAVA

Carnikava is an old fishing village located by the Gauja River, the longest river in Latvia. It lies in the historical Livonian land of the ancient Kubesele region, once known as "Koivemundi" (river mouth). Located just 29 km from Riga, Carnikava is a popular destination for visitors, offering beautiful nature and scenic seaside landscapes. The village is a part of Ādaži Municipality. Every year in mid-August, Carnikava hosts the famous "Lamprey Festival," which attracts tens of thousands of visitors – all thanks to the locally caught and expertly prepared lamprey!



1. PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST BRIDGE

STACIJAS IELA 23

Opened in 2014, this bridge over the Gauja River connects the village of Carnikava with the village of Gauja. It is possibly the longest bridge of its kind in Latvia.

2. AUGMENTED REALITY OBJECTS "LAMPREY ARE COMING"

Stacijas iela 23

Objects by G. Gabrāne can be viewed on a smartphone using the free "SAN" app by scanning the QR code on the info plaque.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECT "CARNIKAVA"

Stacijas iela 23

The environmental object consists of a stainless steel letter "C" mounted on a granite base, weighing nearly two tons.

4. FESTIVAL SQUARE AND SCULPTURE "REMEMBERING"

Stacijas iela 21

At the center of the festival square is a sculpture by sculptor Vilnis Titans – the granite figure symbolizes resilience and eternal striving.

5. BOATHOUSE

Stacijas iela 21

Since the tragic fire at the Carnikava Church in 2017, the local Lutheran congregation has gathered here for services. This is also a stop on Camino Latvia (St. James' Way). (+371 29192611)

6. GAUJA PROMENADE

From Stacijas iela 23 to Jūras iela

A walking path along the scenic Vecgauja. The pavement pattern is designed based on the Livonian Route concept.

7. CARNIKAVA LOCAL HISTORY CENTRE

Jomas iela 7

Houses exhibits on the history of Carnikava, local culture, and fishing traditions. Offers guided tours. Facilities include a rest area, boat slip, and pontoon dock. (+371 29128086)

8. COASTAL DEFENSE STRUCTURES

Laivu iela 32, 57.1498, 24.2592

Elements of the coastal defense system built by the Latvian Armed Forces in the 1930s. One of the structures can be viewed near the Laivu iela parking lot.

9. GAUJA RIVER MOUTH INTO THE SEA

57.158438, 24.26709

A natural river estuary. (Parking: at the end of Skautu iela or Laivu iela 32)

From May 1 to July 31, access to the left bank is closed due to nesting protected birds. During this period, an alternative route should be chosen.

10. CARNIKAVA PROMENADE

Laivu iela 2A

An approximately 2 km long paved scenic walking path that runs through the "Piejūra" Nature Park all the way to the sea.

11. CARNIKAVA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Nākotnes iela 1

Since 2022, Carnikava Primary School has acquired a modern look thanks to extensive renovations. In 2024, it was expanded to become a secondary school.

12. CARNIKAVA MANOR PARK

From the late 18th century until 1917, a grand manor stood in Carnikava Park. It was burned down during World War I. At the park, the former manor's column base can be viewed.

13. SUN DIAL BY HELMUTS ĀĶIS

Rīgas iela 16

The sundial, created by sculptor Helmuts Āķis and donated to Carnikava, features a concrete base, with the numerals and gnomon made of stainless steel.

14. CARNIKAVA RAILWAY STATION BUILDING

Stacijas iela 2

A unique wooden structure over 160 years old, which was relocated to Carnikava in the early 1930s from Latgale.

